

### Remarks

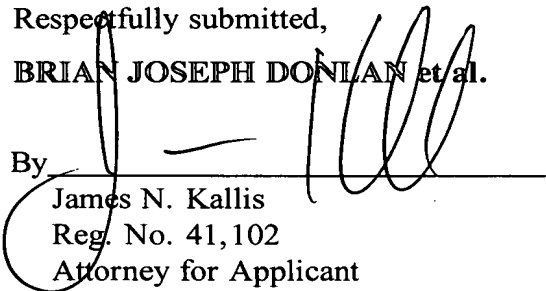
The Examiner recently telephoned the undersigned to discuss two procedural matters that should be addressed prior to the issuance of this application. The first matter dealt with the dependency of claim 11. The second matter dealt with submitting an executed Declaration for one of the named inventors.

With respect to the first matter, the Applicant has amended claim 11 to depend from independent claim 1 in this Amendment. Claim 11 depended from claim 4 which had been previously cancelled. Independent claim 1 provides proper antecedent basis for the subject matter of amended claim 11. As such, the first matter will be addressed upon entry of this Amendment.

With respect to the second matter, the Applicant has submitted herewith copies of the Declarations executed by the two named inventors. The Applicant's records indicate that such executed Declarations were previously filed. In any event, the Applicant has submitted the executed Declarations to address the second matter.

The Examiner and other U.S. Patent Office personnel are invited to contact the undersigned if there are any questions or if any further matters need to be addressed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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